



# EMPLOYMENT LITIGATION CONFERENCE

Renaissance Newport Beach Hotel  
Monday, January 27, 2025 | Newport Beach, CA

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**8:30 AM – 9:15 AM – Registration and Coffee (Orchid Terrace)**

**9:15 AM – 9:30 AM – Opening Remarks from the Chairs (Citrus Ballroom)**

**Ron S. Brand, Esq.**, Kahana & Feld, LLP, Irvine, CA  
**Zohar Lushe, Esq.**, Senior Claims Counsel, EPL, Sompo, Garden City, NY  
**Michael J. Mazurczak, Esq.**, Melick & Porter, LLP, Boston, MA

**9:30 AM – 10:50 AM – Labor and Employment Law Update for 2024 and 2025**

- Federal overview and impact of significant employment law court decisions from 2024
- New California employment laws and developments for 2025

**Mimi Ahn, Esq.**, Kahana & Feld, LLP, Irvine, CA  
**Shafiel A. Karim, Esq.**, Law Office of Shafiel A. Karim, P.C., Long Beach, CA  
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**10:50 AM – 11:00 AM – Break**

**11:00 AM – 12:15 PM – California Wage and Hour Class Action and PAGA Litigation**

- Key reforms, recent developments and trends
- Overview of recent PAGA reform
- Wage and hour insurance defense coverage issues

**Moderator: Carlos K. Poza, Esq.**, MG+M The Law Firm, Walnut Creek, CA  
**Jerusalem F. Beligan, Esq.**, Beligan Law Group, LLP, Newport Beach, CA  
**Lonnie D. Giamela, Esq.**, Fisher & Phillips LLP, Los Angeles, CA  
**Maryam Maleki, Esq.**, Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP, San Rafael, CA  
**Hien Nguyen**, Director, Senior Counsel – Employment, Burlington Stores, Inc., Los Angeles, CA

**12:15 PM – 1:15 PM – Networking Lunch (Orchid Terrace)**

**1:15 PM – 2:15 PM – Critical Labor and Employment Law Issues for In-House and General Counsel**

**Moderator: Meredith Cavallaro, Esq.**, Paduano & Weintraub, New York, NY  
**Julie Nguyen Berryman**, Head of Legal & Risk, King's Hawaiian, Los Angeles, CA  
**Terri H. Bui**, Corporate Counsel – Litigation and Employment, Niagara Bottling, Diamond Bar, CA  
**Patti Koch**, General Counsel/Corporate Director of Risk Management, College Health Enterprises, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, CA  
**Grace Lee**, Senior Director, Legal, Ariat International, San Leandro, CA

**2:15 PM – 3:15 PM – EPLI and Claims Handling: Navigating the EPLI Maze**

**Moderator: Michael J. Mazurczak, Esq.**, Melick & Porter, LLP, Boston, MA  
**Colleen M. Corriston**, Assistant Vice President, EPLI, Chubb, New York, NY  
**Zohar Lushe, Esq.**, Senior Claims Counsel, EPL, Sompo, Garden City, NY  
**Eden Stark**, Vice President of Financial Lines Claims, QBE North America, Huntington Station, NY

**3:15 PM – 3:30 PM – Break**

**3:30 PM – 4:30 PM – How to Ethically Steer Clear of Malpractice Lawsuits in Labor and Employment Litigation**

- Competency and Communication
- Conflicts of Interest
- Termination and Fee Disputes

**Michael LeBoff, Esq.**, Klein & Wilson LLP, Newport Beach, CA  
**Todd W. Smith, Esq.**, Umberg Zipser LLP, Irvine, CA

**4:30 PM – 5:30 PM – Networking Cocktail Reception (Orchid Terrace)**  
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